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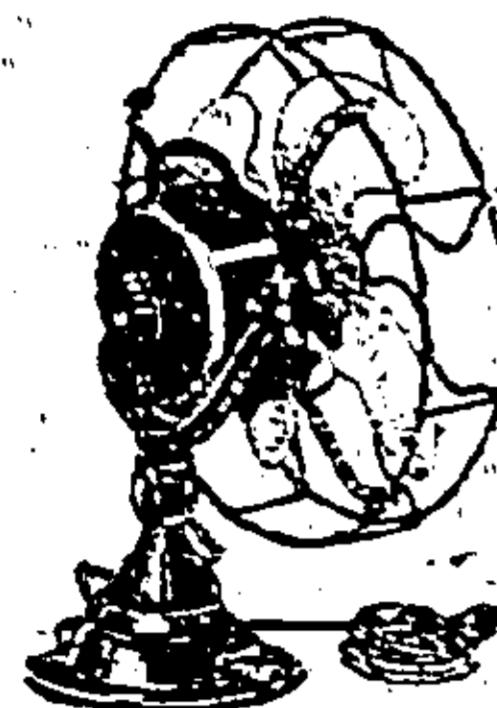
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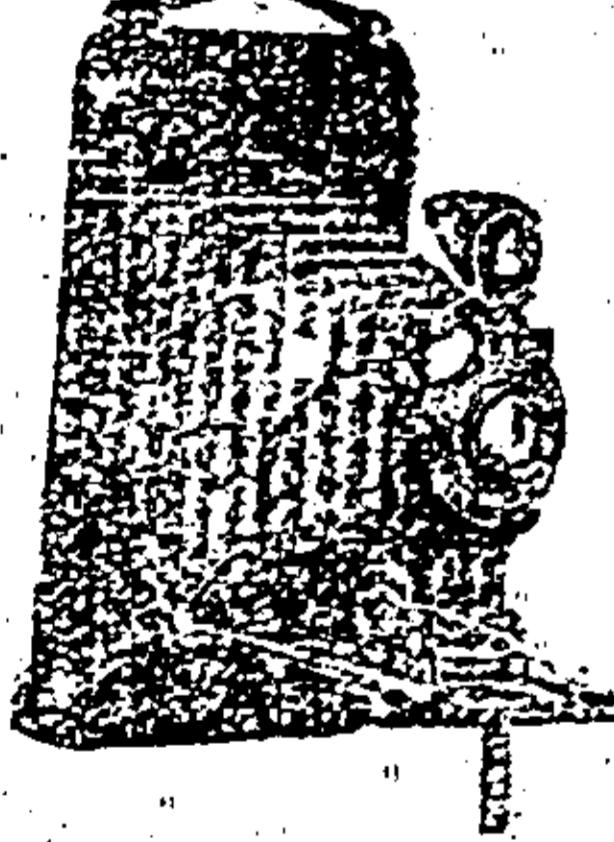
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

TEA WORKERS DUPED.

DISASTROUS RESULTS OF POLITICAL AGITATION.

CALCUTTA, May 29.

Owing to the incitements of political agitators thousands of coolies left the tea gardens of Assam and proceeded to their homes, but many are stranded in Chandpur owing to lack of funds and the steamer which Mr. Gandhi was supposed to have chartered to repatriate them not materialising. Cholera is spreading there amongst them.

MURDERED BY SING FEINERS.

MAJOR'S DISAPPEARANCE OFFICIALLY EXPLAINED.

LONDON, May 29.

It is officially announced that Major Compton-Smith, D.S.O., of the Welsh Fusiliers, who disappeared from Ballyvona, Cork, on April 16 was murdered by Sing Feiners.

JAPANESE CROWN PRINCE.

DEPARTURE FOR FRANCE.

LONDON, May 29.

Prince Hirohito left London for France after a most successful visit.

SINGAPORE TO-DAY.

"A CITY OF DESPAIR."

STRAIN PAPER'S REPLY TO CRITIC.

A few days ago, says the *Straits Times*, we reprinted from the *Manchester Guardian*, an article written by a gentleman who, during the course of a brief visit, studied life in Singapore from the verandah of the Europe Hotel. He was not favourably impressed with what he saw. Singapore, as far as he could judge, was a place where white-faced brokers stretched out trembling hands to grasp another drink and muttered hoarsely, "Rubber is down to thirty-five cents." It has gone lower since, but happily our author has passed on and was spared the sight of conditions at the present moment. He found great firms tottering on the brink of ruin, business paralysed, a broken-spirited people wondering dazedly what was going to happen next, and he evolved an effective heading of his engaging description of it all in "The City of Despair." We are grateful to the *Manchester Guardian*, for the kind advertisement. We do not know what we have done to deserve it, except that the piece-goods market is perhaps not as good as it used to be, but we can afford to read it and smile and struggle on. It is possible that a Singaporean home on leave—presuming that people from this distressful city can still afford to go on leave—would not find things in Manchester quite as brisk as they once were. Every country and every town has its troubles at the present time, and if we are depressed here we are at least depressed in good company. One thing that is certain, however, is that we are not "a city of despair." We look forward to good times coming again. Unlike our depressed visitor, we realise that slumps do not last for ever, and that, if our friend happens to come this way on his travels in, say, a year's time, he may be led to discourse on "the City of Great Prosperity." Meanwhile we are perhaps receiving a useful lesson in the value of the dollar, and it is possible that the era of absurdly inflated prices will pass away.

It has not done so yet, it is true. The man who counts his salary in hundreds has not found that it costs him less to live than in the prosperous days of a year ago, but there are beginning to be signs of change. Newcomers are not exactly rushing into Singapore as they were in the feverish period of 1919-1920, while on the other hand it is certainly true that firms are cutting down staffs and homing boats are diminishing our European population. Consequently, it may even happen that hotels will once again welcome the monthly boarder—and at something less than \$12 a day and that rents which soared from \$50 a month to \$300 may descend with equal celerity to something within measurable distance of the old figure. It may be time to come our dismal friend from Manchester will pay us another visit blocks of flats at a time when costs

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2.6 7/8
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SPORT.

ALLEY BOWLS.

AN INTERPORT MATCH.

Taking advantage of the presence of the Hongkong cricket team in Shanghai, some of the bowls enthusiasts arranged an informal match, and it was expected to take place in the alleys of the Shanghai Club on Friday, says the *N.C. Daily News*. The members of the Hongkong side are already known, these being Commander Mathew and Mr. E. W. Hamilton. It was hoped that Major Bagnall would be able to take part, but it is now doubtful, and the likelihood is that Hongkong will pick up a third man locally in the person of Mr. P. W. Goldring who was for a considerable time a resident of the Colony. The Shanghai side will be Messrs. A. J. Parkhill, E. B. Clarke and V. Harth-Olsen. The match will consist of four alleys.

A practice game has already taken place when the Hongkong players did very well considering that the alleys were new to them, although they did not come up to the Shanghai score. In particular Mr. Hamilton showed excellent form. It happens that the Hongkong alleys are longer than those of Shanghai, and accordingly the Hongkong men have a tendency to put their shots down too fast.

CRICKET INTERPORT.

NOTES ON THE GAME.

For the first half hour on the opening day play was very dull. Deeks displayed a cautiousness which was solid but unproductive.

The Hongkong fielding was splendidly set out on the leg there was an open field, but this did not matter until the first wicket.

When Ollerenssen and Barrett got together, the Hongkong team saw their weaknesses and placed themselves on the leg, but the master touch of Barrett penetrated the guard and earned him many boundaries.

This partnership increased the score by leaps and bounds. Practically every other hit was a boundary. Ollerenssen was in magnificent form and retired with a creditable 62.

Reed and Davies are Hongkong's two best bowlers but became somewhat tired towards the end of the afternoon.

Capt. Sayer placed the balls in lovely position for boundary hits and Barrett took advantage of them.

Muriel displayed the best batting qualities during the game. Opinion has it that he even excelled Barrett and Ollerenssen.

Rumjahn is an asset to the field. He stopped many a terrific drive which would have been a four—"Jaitchell," in the *Shanghai Times*.

SHANTUNG ISSUE.

ADVICE TO CHINA.

TIMELESS COMMENTS BY A TOKYO NEWSPAPER.

With regard to the Shantung question, the *Tokyo Asahi* today reports as follows: "In concluding the Sino-German Treaty, which was signed on May 20, Germany has announced that, inasmuch as it is in duty bound to fulfil the provisions in the Versailles Treaty concerning China, she is not in a position to restore direct to China all her former possessions as well as her rights and interests in Shantung province. Hence, China appears to admit tacitly that she has no alternative but to open direct negotiations with Japan in the matter of solving the Shantung question. Taking advantage of this opportunity, if Japan should lay bare her heart to China regarding the question at issue, it is not likely that the latter would make further refusal directly to negotiate with the former. According to all accounts, at the late conference of Government officials despatched to Manchuria and Chosen, with Premier Bara and all the Cabinet Ministers participating, it was decided to carry out the withdrawal of Japanese guards from Shantung apart from the proposition to open negotiations for the restoration of Shantung to China, and, moreover, if desired by China, conditions for its restoration will be shown confidentially before-hand. Such being the case, it is earnestly to be hoped that China will cease her unnecessary opposition and open negotiations in earnest without delay after making a full study of the mechanics for the concrete solution of the long-imposing question."

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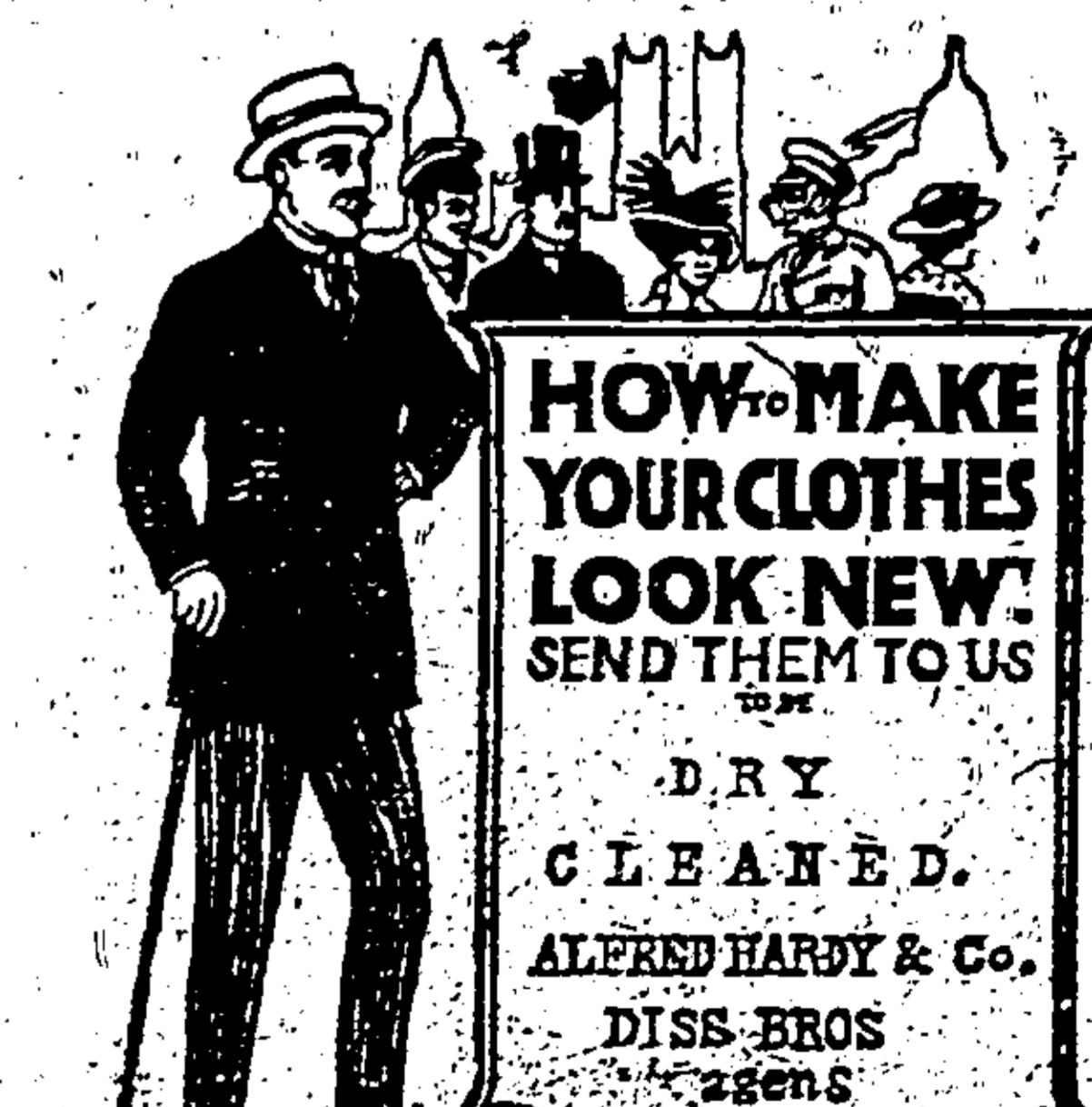
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong on TUESDAY, the 31st May, 1921, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th April, 1921.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of May, to TUESDAY, the 31st day of May, 1921, both days inclusive.

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General Manager.
Hongkong, May 21, 1921.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 14th ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, S' Queen's Road Central, at 12 o'clock Noon on SATURDAY, the 4th day of June, 1921, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1920, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th May, 1921, to the 4th June, 1921, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board
C. BOND,
Secretary.
Hongkong, May 26, 1921.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Powers of Attorney given to Mr. G. LAVERDURE, will from THIS DAY, be transferred to Mr. M. GIRARDOT, PATHE ORIENT.

Hongkong, May 28, 1921.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL
MEETING of Members will be
held in the Offices of the Hongkong
Jockey Club, on WEDNESDAY, June
8th, at 12 o'clock Noon.

H. BIRKETT,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, May 26, 1921.

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The Minister of Public Instruction, M.

J. H. TAGGART,
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Hongkong, May 19, 1921.

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REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

PARIS, May 25th (delayed).

According to a Berlin message, the
German paper *Frankfurter Anzeiger*, com-
menting on the present situation, writes
that the Germans are unconscious of the
fact that Germany has been vanquished
and is without strength, and that she
could rise again only by acceding to the
terms of the Peace Treaty.—*Hans.*

PARIS, May 25th (delayed).

M. Briand's speech yesterday has pro-
duced an excellent impression. It is
regarded as a great victory for the policy
of close unity between England and
France.

In the Chamber, to-day, M. Noble-
maire, in expressing satisfaction at the
friendly feelings existing between Great
Britain and France, remarked, however,
that while the Peace Treaty granted
England complete satisfaction, France,
with the same gallantry and much
heavier sacrifices, is still awaiting the
repairs which are due.—*Hans.*

PARIS, May 25th (delayed).

The newspapers approve M. Briand's
speech. They also support his policy.
His methodical, firm and moderate tone
is believed, will restore and consolidate
general peace in Europe.—*Hans.*

BERLIN, May 26th.

Treasury drafts, endorsed by the lead-
ing German banks, and representing the
balance of a billion gold marks demand-
ed by the Allies by May 1st, have been
despatched to the Reparations Commit-
tee.

RIOTS IN EGYPT.

ALEXANDRA, May 29th.
The latest death-roll in the recent dis-
turbances is 75, including 56 natives, 14
Greeks, 3 Italians and 2 Frenchmen.

AMENDING BILL.

LONDON, May 29th.
The Government has introduced an
Amending Bill in the House of Commons
whereby twenty-six millions sterling
already authorised for the grant of
credits to foreign countries will become
available, guaranteeing drafts against
shipments to all parts of the Empire,
including protectorates and mandated
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FIRST TEST MATCH.

LONDON, May 29th.
At Nottingham, before a gathering of
21,000, in showery weather with inter-
mittent sun, and on a drying wicket,
England won the toss and started di-
stinctly losing 3 wickets for 15 runs.
Out of the 112 runs compiled, Holmes
by careful play, made 30 and Woolley 20.
Gregory took 5 wickets for 55 runs, and
McDonald, who took 3 wickets for 42,
bowled at a tremendous pace. The field-
ing was superb.

The Australians, at the close of play,
had 167 runs for 6 wickets.
Bardsley made 66 without giving a single chance.

ULSTER PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, May 29th.
The Ulster election results have virtu-
ally been completed. The Northern
Parliament will consist of 40 Unionists, 6
Nationalists and 6 Sinn Feiners. Every
Unionist candidate has been returned.

The Parliament will meet on June 8th,
and adjourn till June 21st.

SILESIAN SITUATION.

LONDON, May 29th.
The present negotiations between Paris
and London deal with the question of the
creation of the Supreme Council.

Great Britain desires an early meet-
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Allied experts, jurists, soldiers and
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LANG.—On May 21, 1921, at Vladivostok, to Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Lang, a daughter.
WEIS.—On May 21, 1921, at Shanghai, to M. and Mme. Georges E. Weis, pator, (Jacques Mac).
PENTREATH.—On May 24, 1921, at Pasadena, Cal., to Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Pentreath, a daughter.

DEATHS

ROBINSON.—On May 21, 1921, at Shanghai, Alfred Theresius Robinson, aged 33 years.
MACLEOD.—On May 19, 1921, Neil Macleod, M.D., in his 75th year.
DAQUINO.—On May 23, 1921, at Shanghai, Bertha Maria d'Aquino, aged 63 years.
MARGINSON.—On May 24, 1921, at Shanghai, Walter Marginson, Engineering Dept., Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., aged 35 years.

The China Mail.

YOUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 30, 1921.

INCOHERENCES BE THINGS
CHINESE

The last reference we saw in the Canton Times to Hongkong's unfortunate appearance on the stage of Chinese politics irritated us. After all the efforts made to satisfy them that their suspicions were unjust,

way in propaganda, and from not one of them can we feel sure that we are getting honest facts. There is the Northern party, numerically not ignorable; there is the Sun Wen following; and there is a considerable body which favours the southern revolt but is against Sun personally. The well-intentioned foreign devil in pursuit of information must recognize this when listening to Chinese statements.

To which party belongs the Chinese correspondent of this morning's Daily Press? He also pretends to speak for "the general public," when contradicting obliquely statements that have appeared in the China Mail. His notes on the feeling in the neighbouring provinces are certainly interesting, but they would have been still more so if, we could have accepted them as "written in good faith." That, unfortunately, is forbidden credence by the malice in the rest of his observations. His "glance round," in short, is unscrupulous propaganda.

It should be unnecessary to point out that the China Mail is not a partisan either in any way. We dislike the northern politicians and we sympathise with the Kwangtung Parliamentarians, but, as we have said before, we have no faith in Sun Wen. He means well, but he is not the man. We would, if we were not in the position of a neutral, support him tanto de mieux.

Shanghai papers give prominence to a letter addressed to our Minister at Peking by the chairman of the National Organization Union of China.

It deals with our Governor's visit to Peking and makes allegations which have already been contradicted. So we do not reprint it. The official denial should be accepted.

Locally it is now admitted that the real reason for His Excellency's expedition was the opening of the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank at Shanghai! As to that, we can only say that if so, it is a thousand pities that he did not so announce it.

LOCAL EDUCATION

It is a long time since we said anything about local education. The hiatus denotes no loss of interest. It means the desire not to bore, and a disposition to give the educational authorities time to do something. Very little, we may say, has been done in the line of meeting criticisms and supplying deficiencies previously pointed out.

Time flies in Hongkong as fast as elsewhere, and it may surprise some to learn that a whole year has passed since the secretary of the Kowloon Resident's Association was added to the Board of Education. What has happened since? What progress has been made? So far as we can see, there are no footprints on these particular sands of time. The subject of our schools was not even mentioned at the annual meeting of the K.R.A., although it began as a prominent plank in the rostrum of the Association. The silence, as in our own case, need not indicate lack of interest. But what, if anything, has been attempted, let alone done?

Our last note, if we remember correctly, referred to technical instruction. We suggested evening classes at the University for the sake of its superior equipment, and the dropping of the existing school with its hopeless appliances. That seems to have been ignored. If it is to be neither refused nor granted, we shall not worry; but our allegation with regard to the nature of the equipment now used for technical instruction must not be ignored. Something must be done about it.

It is easy to understand that the financial worries of the Government cause it to be somewhat lukewarm in the cause of education; but that is not how its activities should be determined. Teachers' salaries will be cropping up again, for a certainty. The Government has been taking on new comers at good salaries, salaries commencing higher than the recent level of pay conceded to teachers who have locally borne the heat and burden of the day, and refusing increases asked by old hands. That is not good. It discourages those who have been working their way up in the Hongkong service; or at least it is not calculated to encourage them to put forth their best efforts.

Then it looks as if the Board of Education needs gingering up. We invite practical suggestions from all interested.

A rich vein of gold is reported to have been located near Yishuihsien in Shantung and a Chinese company being floated for its exploitation. This province, as is well known, is rich in minerals, but superstition and lack of capital have prevented the Chinese from taking advantage of the hidden wealth. The news of the discovery of the gold immediately follows a statement of the finding of a silver mine on the Eastern Hill of Sing Pai Ting.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The Chinese remanded from Saturday on the charge of having had in his possession 1,000 cigarettes on which duty had not been paid, was this morning ordered by Magistrate Lindell to pay a fine of \$50 or serve six weeks' imprisonment.

The purchase of the entire motor-car interests of Andersen, Meyer & Co. in China, by the China Motors, Ltd., is announced by Mr. Leon Friedman, the General Manager. The deal, involving approximately \$200,000, is one of the largest of the year in motor-car circles.

Three Chinese who were this morning charged before Magistrate Orme with having stowed away on the s.s. "Faiching" from Swatow, said that they were on their way to Singapore, but shortly after the vessel left Swatow, they were robbed of all their money. The Magistrate passed sentence of three weeks' hard labour each.

Mr. Walter Marginson, a member of the staff of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.'s machinery department at Shanghai, passed away last week at the General Hospital from typhoid fever. Mr. Marginson, who was only 34 years of age, had been in Shanghai, but a few months, arriving in September last. He leaves a wife and son, now in England.

The Chinese authorities at Antung recently found the body of a Chinese bandit, who had committed suicide there. After investigation, they stated that the body was that of the famous leader of bandits, Chang. He apparently gave up his life after he had been wounded during the fighting with the Chinese soldiers at Antung on April 20, convinced that he could not recover.

While there is no sign of a strike among the members of the Mechanics' Union, working for the Railways and the Electric Supply Company, the men working in factories and machine shops, have decided to down tools unless their demands are conceded. Printed pamphlets are being sent to their comrades both in Canton and abroad asking for financial and to prolong the strike until shorter hours, better pay and better sanitation have been secured.—Canton Times.

In a proclamation issued yesterday by the Headquarters of the Cantonese Army, it is announced that, beginning May 27, martial law is proclaimed on the West River from Sanshui to the western border of the province. Under martial law, secret societies are not allowed to be organized, while newspaper reports, telegrams and mail matter are to be censored. Occupants of boats, trains and residences of a suspicious character will be searched by special agents. Unless permitted by Headquarters, boats and trains are not allowed to carry munitions.

Mr. Frederick Whitney Horne, founder of the Horne Co. in Tokyo and at other points where branches of the importing company are located, died at Pasadena, California, on May 10, according to word which reached Tokyo recently. No details of his illness or death were given. He was 65 years old, being born at London, Canada, March 30, 1855, the son of a banker. Later he became a naturalized citizen of the United States. About 20 years ago Mr. Horne came to Japan, going into the importing business there. His home was in Yokohama during this time until he returned to the United States about a year ago, retiring from active life.

Commenting on the Cricket Interport which closed on Thursday, Shanghai papers to hand are unanimous that Hongkong's fielding was a feature of the match, and was materially responsible for the slow rate of the Shanghai scoring. With a strong bowling department, our players would have given a better account of themselves. As it was, Davies and Reid did excellent work in the early stages of the game. The "Setting" of the Hongkong field was very popular with the spectators, for although there was only one fielder on the on-side, the bowling was so accurate that very few balls were turned round to leg.

An optimistic correspondent writes to a Shanghai paper:—The first of the season's corn is now being reaped in the settlement. It is noticeable that the vegetable crop this year promises to be particularly good, potatoes are up to weight and cabbages are clean and free from insects. In view of this it is reasonable for the harassed housewife to look forward to a decrease in the ruling price of vegetables. The strawberry crop is being sold at 25 cents per lb.

The Shanghai C.C. war memorial was unveiled by H.B.M. Consul Sir Everard Fraser, on Empire Day, during the tea interval of the Cricket Interport. The monument is a handsomely wrought bronze panel headed thus:—"The Great War, 1914-1919. Shanghai Cricket Club Roll of Honour," and below is the inscription:—"Victory, Liberty." Around the borders are appropriate scenes and designs and the tablet bears the following names:—S. J. Berry, W. C. Budd, J. A. Brand, C. Bussey, K. G. Barrett, W. J. C. Bolland, J. Bouch, C. C. Cunningham, W. H. Dent, H. P. Dudley, T. M. K. Fletcher, D. Forbes, J. E. Gresson, E. J. Hayward, S. Hennan, E. Hope, F. S. C. Jones, Loftus, H. P. Jones, P. Lambe, W. H. N. Leyton, W. N. Lowe, G. B. S. McBain, K. T. J. Parsons, W. E. Reiss, T. C. Reid, G. P. Riach, F. Richardson, H. Symes, E. C. Symons, C. H. C. Symons, B. P. Sheldon, and T. C. Vernon.

SPECIAL CABLES

MEMORIAL DAY

AMERICAN CELEBRATION

IN SHANGHAI

[China Mail SPECIAL.]

SHANGHAI, May 30.

On the occasion of Memorial Day, numerous Americans under the auspices of the American Legion made a pilgrimage to Sungkiang. At the graveside of General Frederick Ward, the hero of the Taiping Rebellion, Judge Lobring delivered an eloquent oration.

Both defendants entered pleas of "not guilty."

The ricksha coolie said that he was proceeding along Queen's Road, going West, with a fare in the vehicle. When near the City Hall, the defendants, with two other soldiers, walked up to the ricksha and without any warning or provocation, proceeded to strike him and the fare with sticks. He was certain that the defendants were the men because he followed them until a European Sergeant arrested them.

The ricksha coolie said that he was a mineral water manufacturer employed at the Victoria Barracks, stated that the first defendant struck him on the head with a stick and caused blood to flow. As he put his hand to his wound, the second defendant pushed him out of the ricksha, causing him to fall into the drain. A police whistle was blown and the defendants made off. A European Sergeant chased and caught the defendants.

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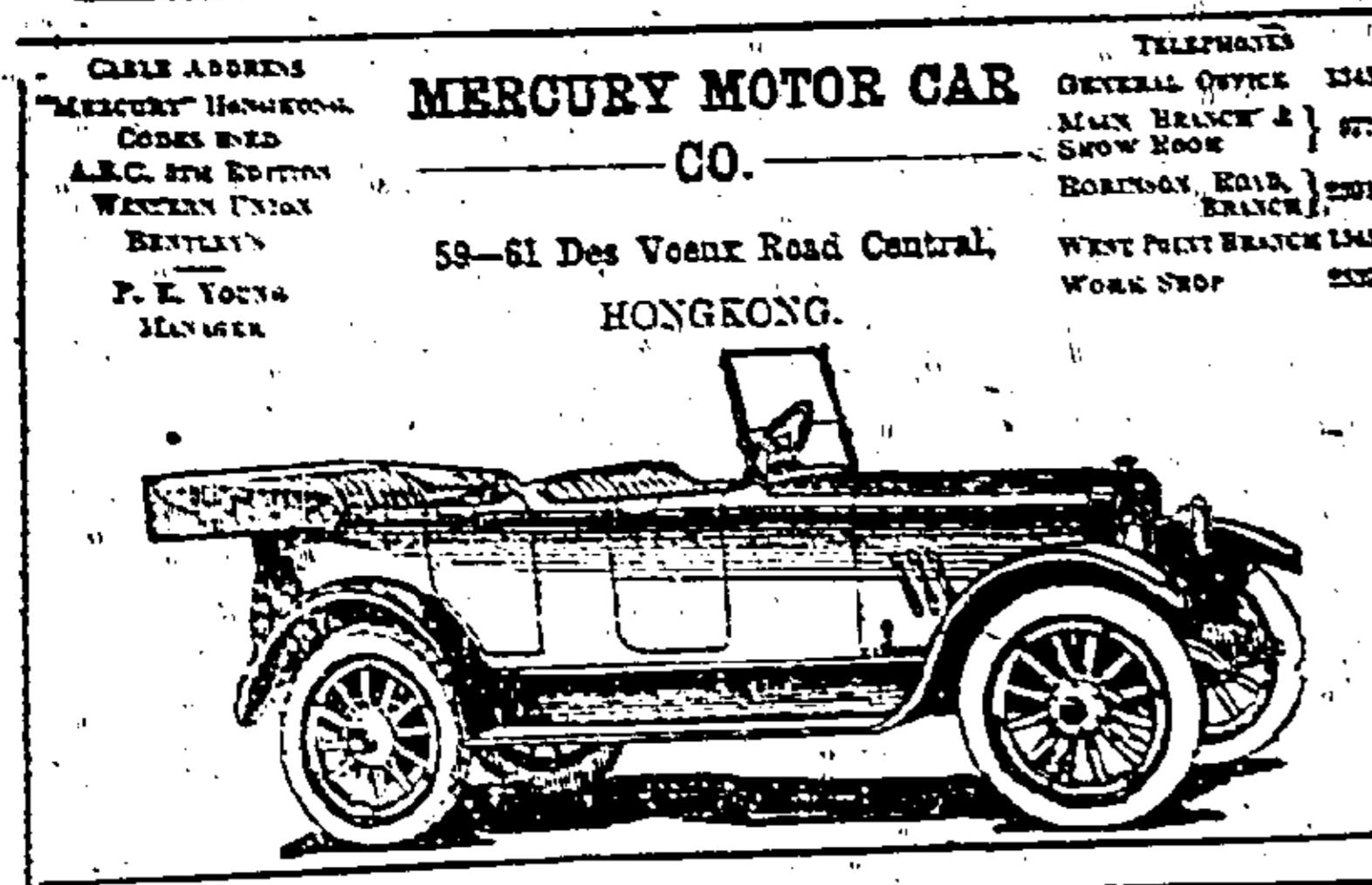
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ODDS AND ENDS.

MAINLY SCISSORS LOOT.

Divorce and Publicity.

Publication of divorce proceedings as the best cure for one of the biggest evils in the United States was recommended by the Rev. Mr. Stratton in a sermon at Calvary Baptist Church. Americans had got the divorce habit. Mr. Stratton said, because in most cases the stenking details can be excluded from the public Press. The last Census Bureau report showed that one out of every nine marriages now terminates in divorce, and in some parts of America there is one separation for every three marriages.

World's Oldest Man.

In the suburb of Tophane of Constantinople there lives what must be the oldest man in the world, if there is any truth in the claims of those who know his history, says a Reuter message. This is Torah, a Kurd, who is reported to have been born 150 years ago. Far back, almost beyond living memory, Torah, as an old man, used to be a hawker, or porter, but he retired from hard work 70 or 80 years ago, and has been supported ever since by public bounty. The Turkish Senate last year voted a special allowance to this hyper-german.

The Admiralty Knew.

A detailed account of the battle of the Dogger Bank by Mr. Filson Young, who was a combatant in that engagement on board Lord Beatty's flagship, was published by *The Times*. This reveals for the first time that Lord Beatty put to sea on definite information that a German squadron was coming out. The exact strength of that squadron was given by our Naval Intelligence Department, just as it knew on the eve of Jutland that the whole German Fleet was putting to sea. Another most interesting fact disclosed is that when Lord Beatty's flagship was temporarily put out of action, Beatty made to his second in command the signal "Keep nearer to the enemy," the exact modern translation of Nelson's famous "Engage more closely." Unfortunately it was not obeyed, for reasons which Mr. Young has yet to reveal.

Then and Now.

Time was when no one in London could overlook Boatrace day. Every handsome cab-driver sported one or other of the rival blues on his whip, and so did the bus-drivers, and the young of the Londoners would fight at the street corners for the cause of these ancient Universities. Flights ladies would dress entirely in the colours of the crew of their heart, and at night the young gentlemen, from Oxford and Cambridge fought the chucks-out of the Alhambra and Empire music-halls and smashed one another's tall hats. There was always a special Boatrace lever at Vice Street and Marlborough Street police offices next day. Nowadays it is quite different. No tax-driver sports his colours, and the motor-bus drivers would scorn the idea. Yet the crowd saw that the Boat-race was probably the biggest that ever assembled there, and the biggest that ever came to see, any athletic event. Once more one was impressed with the thought that here was the biggest sporting contest in England and there was no gate money, no prize money, hardly any betting, and nothing but sport.

Famous Last Words.

"I wonder if it's loaded. I'll look down the barrel and see."

"They say these things can't possibly explode, no matter how much you throw them around."

"I wonder whether this rope will hold my weight."

"It's no fun swimming around in here, I'm going out beyond the life lines."

"Which one of these is the third railway?"

"There's only one way to manage a mule. Walk right up in back of him and surprise him."

"That firecracker must have gone out. I'll light it again."

"Watch me skate out past the 'Danger' sign. I bet I can touch it."

"These traffic policemen think they own the city. They can't stop me. I'm going to cross the street now. Let the chauffeurs lookout for me."

"What a funny noise that snake makes. I think I'll step on him."

"I've never driven a car in traffic before. But they say it's perfectly simple."

"I think I'll mix a little nitric acid with this chloride of potassium and see what happens."

"Oh listen! That's the train whistle. Step on the accelerator and we'll try and get across before the excellent pictures."

GENERAL ITEMS.

25,491 ex-Service men have received free passage vouchers under the Government scheme for settlement overseas.

Weighing 352lb., a royal sturgeon landed at Grimsby recently, said to be the largest ever caught in the North Sea. It was sold for £18 10s.

Plans for a tunnel beneath the Scheldt, at Antwerp, which was first projected in 1888, are again being considered by the Belgian Government.

The Air Ministry is building a helicopter at Farnborough under the most secret conditions. It has hopes of revolutionising artillery control thereby.

Two hundred and sixty houses have been rebuilt in Louvain in the past year; the shortage throughout Belgium is estimated at from 200,000 to 250,000.

According to statistics just to hand, only two pairs of British-made boots were imported into Cuba in 1919, as against 4,750,000 pairs from the United States.

The last straw was added to the burden upon the shoulders of the New Poor when suddenly the charge for a chair seat in Hyde Park jumped from a penny to twopence.

Encouraged by finding £12 in one cash box, a thief who entered the house of Mr. Samson, Harrowden-road, Knowle, Bristol, forced open another which contained only a false moustache.

When the driver of a motor-lorry, which was running backward down a hill at Trebbin, Pontypriod, swerved into a wall to avoid a tramcar, a barrel rolled off the vehicle and killed a child.

Forty £1 notes and a £10 Bank of England note were found in a Lenten offering box in St. Mary's Church, Islington, N. with the anonymous message: "£1 a day Lenten offering; £10 Easter."

Believed to have lost his memory, George Crow, ship's steward, of Hull, who disappeared when shopping with his intended bride two days before his wedding, fixed for Easter Monday, is still missing.

Legislation will be introduced at the earliest opportunity to regularise marriage in India affected by the Keyes judgment. The proposed legislation will legitimise children and secure their interests if either parent has died.

Twice as many brunettes as blondes are marrying in France. The brunettes say that the reason is that blondes are cold-natured, fickle, and frivolous. Many enterprising blondes are dyeing their hair to improve their matrimonial chances.

Charged with tampering with an almsbox at St. Elizabeth's Church, Coventry, Francis James Witham Robinson admitted that he had robbed church boxes all over the city, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

Three music-hall artists, Mr. E. Hedges, Mr. F. T. Hedges, and Mr. J. Jacobson, set out from Castle Bromwich, near Birmingham, one morning recently to "golf" their way to Hull, a distance of 150 miles. They will play along the roads, but not through towns or villages, and the journey is expected to take eight days. Several balls were lost in the first few miles.

Queen Mary, Princess Mary, the Duke of York, the Duke of Connaught, Lady Patricia Ramsay, and other royalties, the Earl of Cromer, Sir Malcolm Murray, Sir Keith Ross, and a number of prominent Anglo-Indians were present on May 5 at a command exhibition of the film of the Duke of Connaught's tour in India. The royalties were keenly interested in the excellent pictures.

WANTED A PLAINTIFF.

1919 ACTION REVIVED.

A LEGAL TANGLE SOLVED.

A peculiar legal tangle was disposed of in the Supreme Court this morning when His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz agreed to an application that a case in which judgment had been both granted and set aside in 1919 should be struck out altogether.

There was no appearance on the part of the plaintiffs, the Wing Shing Sheung firm, and Mr. C. G. Alabaster (instructed by Mr. Blake of Wilkinson and Grist), who appeared for the defendants, the Ko Ip Tong firm, briefly outlined the circumstances surrounding the case.

Counsel explained that during 1919 the plaintiff proceeded against the defendant for the recovery of \$20,000 alleged to have been deposited. The writ was served on one of the defendants and, no appearance having been entered, judgment was obtained. On the same day as the plaintiff was granted judgment he signed it away to a third partner. The defendants were successful later on in having the judgment set aside and a defence entered, it being stipulated that a sum of \$6,000 should first be paid into Court. Since then they had been looking for a plaintiff willing to appear against them and it was now asked that the money paid into the Court should be returned to the defendant and the case struck out.

His Honour said that he would grant the application.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE THIRD GYMKHANA MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at the HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 4th June, commencing at 3.30 P.M.

The Charge for Admission will be \$1 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half-price.

The Stewards invite the LADIES of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, May 30, 1921.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP

"SIBERIA MARU,"

From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS & MANILA.

The above named Steamer having arrived on Saturday, the 28th May, 1921, consignee of cargo are hereby notified to present their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery from alongside steamer or the Company's Godown, where all cargo impeding immediate discharge will be landed at consignees' risk.

Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered after Friday, the 3rd June, 1921.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be landed into the Company's Godown, where same will be examined on Monday, the 6th June, 1921, at 11 A.M.

No claims will be recognised after

goods have left the steamer or Godown, and none will be entertained if presented later than three weeks after arrival of steamer.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI,

Manager.

Hongkong, May 28, 1921.

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S. S. "WEST ISLIP."

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LOS ANGELES.

THE STEAMSHIP

"WEST ISLIP."

having arrived from San Francisco and Los Angeles via ports on May 29th, 1921, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., at Kowloon whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optical Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 30th.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 15th prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 A.M. on 6th June, 1921, by the Company's Surveyors, Mearns, Carmichael & Clarke.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival hereafter which they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the Godowns and cargo undelivered on and after 6th June, 1921, will be subject to rent.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

STRUTHERS & DIXON, INC.

Agents for Div. of Opr. U. S.

Shipping Board Emergency

Fleet Corps.

Hongkong, May 30, 1921.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Liquidator of the China Merchants & Steamship Co. Ltd., to sell by Public Auction.

on WEDNESDAY,

June 1, 1921, at 2.30 p.m.

at No. 41, Nathan Road, Kowloon,

SEVERAL LOTS

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

etc. etc. etc.

including—

Dinner Wagon, Sideboard, Overmantles, Bedroom Furniture, Cutlery, Crockery,

etc. etc. etc.

TERMS.—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers,

Hongkong, May 30, 1921.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail*, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

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DELI & BANGKOK VIA SAIGON & SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly

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INSTRUMENTS OF PERCUSSION.

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The Yun-lo (gong-chime) is a set of ten little gongs suspended by silk cords to a frame. It is used like the stone and bell-chimes in the temples and sometimes for show in wedding processions.

Of percussion instruments, quite the most curious is the Yu. It is of wood, in the form of a tiger crouched upon a stand, and has its due place in the Confucian ceremonies. At the end of each stroke it is struck with a stick thrice upon the head and then three times the stick is rasped along the serrated ridge of the back.

The great variety of drums can be referred to only briefly. They are never braced with cords, the membrane being invariably nailed on. Exceptional examples are sometimes as much as five feet in diameter. The Ying-ku is a kettle drum slung in a stand and usually ornately decorated. But perhaps the Ta-ku is the most interesting form. It has a handle passing through the barrel by which it is twirled so causing two balls attached by thongs to strike upon the heads. It is used in the rituals and is also carried by the itinerant vendor of millinery in the streets.

In China such instruments are never strung with gut; either silk or metal is used. The most celebrated stringed instrument is certainly the classical Chin' said to be the invention of Fu-Hsi. (B.C. 2852). Its dimensions, form and materials are supposed to have their origin in nature, while even the number of threads to each string are prescribed. The seven strings pass over a bridge and through the sound board, being tightened by nuts below. The 13 studs are of metal, the body of Tungwood, the nuts of marble or jade.

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An extraordinary and very distressing accident occurred on the evening of May 21, resulting in the death of Mr. Alfred Theresius Robinson, aged 38, a Norwegian, employed at the Old Dock. While Mr. Robinson was at home, at 22, Bubbling Well Road, about 8.30 p.m., his little boy, aged two years, began to cry and, hoping to lull him to sleep away, the father went to play with him indulging in various antics. Unfortunately, Mr. Robinson, picking up a long, sharp Japanese dagger, flourished it about as he danced round the room. In his confusion he allowed the point of the dagger to fall on to his left thigh, with the result that it severed the main artery, about six inches below the groin. The police received a telephone call for assistance and Detective Sergeant Kiuchi immediately went to the house, only to find that Robinson had already bled to death. A Japanese doctor having been called in too late to save him. There is no suggestion that it was anything but a pure accident, and apparently Mr. Robinson only lived for a very few minutes after the artery had been cut.

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Such were the agonised and desperate words that Madame Lafarge wrote to her husband on the first day of the honeymoon she had fondly pictured as the prelude to a happy wedded life. A few hours had been sufficient to show her that it was actually the portal to a life of misery which she did not the courage to face.

It was a tragic episode in a life which had opened full of bright promise; for Marie Capelli had been born to a heritage which any girl might have envied. The daughter of a French artillery Colonel of good family, who had won many laurels in the Napoleonic wars, her grandmother had been the playfellow of a King's daughters and later an ornament of the French Court, while she was connected by blood or marriage with many of the greatest families of France. And to this tower of birth she allied a rare beauty, a distinguished appearance, and great personal fascination.

It was an unkind blow of fate that removed both of Marie's parents in her early childhood, and consigned her to the care of distant relatives, whose great object, as soon as her schooling was ended, was to find a husband for her, and thus rid themselves of all responsibility for her. Nor was this difficult; for a girl so attractive, with, too, a small fortune of her own, was not at all likely to lack suitors. But among her retinue of lovers Marie was not allowed to choose. The choice was made for her; and it fell on a Monsieur Charles Lafarge, a business man some dozen years her senior, who, though by no means a "Prince Charming," was good looking, chivalrous, and to all appearance deeply in love with her.

He was not the lover Marie would have chosen. But what would you? She was very unhappy in her so-called home, and eager to escape from it almost at any cost. And Monsieur Lafarge was at least very amiable, very devoted, and he was reputed to be rich. Thus she seemed assured at least of kindness and something like luxury; and she pictured quite a desirable life in the home he described to her—"a large mansion in a beautiful park, with glorious views and a large staff of servants."

And thus it was that after a very brief wooing Marie went, an unwilling bride, to the altar with a man of whom she really knew nothing.

A CRUEL AWAKENING.
Before her wedding day closed, however, her dream had a cruel awakening. Scarcely had the bridegroom left the church when he threw off the

it had been fastened down with small screws; and when it reached Paris it was secured with long nails.

The suspicion that the box had been tampered with, however, does not seem to have troubled M. Lafarge; for he cut off a large slice of the cake and ate it. A few hours later, he was seized with violent convulsions, and became so seriously ill that for days he hovered on the brink of death and it was only after many weeks had passed that it was possible to take him back to Glandier, where his condition continued to cause the greatest alarm and anxiety.

His symptoms, the doctors decided, were those of arsenical poisoning, and suspicion was soon directed to his wife and to the cake which her husband had received in Paris, and the eating of which had had such disastrous consequences. This suspicion was especially strongly felt by M. Lafarge's mother. She kept a very close watch on her daughter-in-law, who insisted always on remaining in the sick-room and on preparing her husband's food and administering his medicines with her own hands.

And that it was not without justification was proved when she was able to show the doctors a cup of chicken-broth prepared by Marie, on the surface of which a white powder was floating. One of the maids, too, declared that she had seen

Madame mix a white powder with her husband's medicine and food; and that once, when she had given her husband a drink thus prepared, he had cried out, "What have you given me? It burns like fire!" to which Madame had answered, "I am not surprised. They let you have wine, although you are suffering from inflammation of the stomach."

DENOUNCED TO DYING HUSBAND.

So convinced now was Madame Lafarge, senior, that her son was being poisoned by his wife that she denounced her to the dying man in her presence—an accusation to which Marie listened with white face and streaming eyes, without a word of protest or denial. And from this time her

husband showed the utmost aversion to his wife, motioning her away with horror and repulsion in his eyes when she approached his bedside; with the result that when he drew his last agonised breath on the 16th of January she was not present.

"Charles," she wrote wildly, "I am about to implore pardon on my knees. I have betrayed you culpably. I love not you, but another..."

Then she proceeded to implore him to release her. "Get two horses ready," she wrote, "I will ride to Bordeaux and then take ship to Smyrna. I will leave you all my possessions. As for me, I will live by my own exertions" and concluded with the threat that, if he refused her request, she would poison herself.

When her husband read this hysterical effusion, a stormy scene followed, from which she emerged penitent, vowing that she did not really mean what she had written, and that she would do her best to make him happy. And a few days later—so changed was her mood—we find her writing to a friend—"I have accepted my position, though it is difficult. But with a little strength of mind, with patience and a husband's love I may grow contented." Thus we find her, after her first outbreak of disillusion and disappointment, settling down into at least a resigned wife, and grateful for any small attentions her husband condescended to bestow on her.

THE NEW WILL.
Thus a few months had passed when Lafarge started for Paris to secure a patent for a new invention which was to make him rich; but before leaving he persuaded his now submissive wife to lend him a sum of money, and also to make her will in his favour. At the same time he made his own will, leaving his entire estate to her—as a preliminary to making a second will in which, though she had no suspicion of it, he left all he possessed equally between his mother and his sister.

Monsieur had not been gone many days when his wife, ostensibly to give her absent husband pleasure, sent him a box containing a number of his favourite small cakes, baked by his mother, together with a portrait of herself and a letter asking him to eat one of the small cakes at a certain hour on a certain day, when she would also eat one at Glandier. That box was sent by coach on the 16th December, and reached Paris on the 18th. But on opening the box M. Lafarge found not several small cakes as indicated by the letter, but one large cake. It was thus evident that the case had been tampered with in transit—a conclusion which was confirmed by the further fact, as discovered later, that, when it had left Glandier,

it had been fastened down with small screws; and when it reached Paris it was secured with long nails.

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EXPERTS' EVIDENCE.

No less convincing was the testimony of the medical experts, who swore that the arsenic found in M. Lafarge's body was so infinitesimal—the quantity was variously estimated at from half to a hundredth part of a milligramme—that it was not sufficient to poison a mouse. Thus it seemed impossible that arsenic could have been the cause of death.

It was also proved, as before stated, that when the fatal box was sent from Glandier it contained several small cakes, and was fastened with screws. When M. Lafarge opened it, it contained

one large cake, and was fastened with nails.

The box had been opened

on its journey to Paris beyond a doubt, and the large, poisoned cake

substituted for the small ones originally sent.

It was clearly impossible that this could have been done by Madame.

If it had been possible, would she

have been so foolish as to mention

specifically small cakes and ask her

husband to eat one of them at a

certain time, thus directly drawing

his attention to the change that had

taken place. Moreover, a girl cousin,

her dearest friend, was in Paris at the

time, and frequently met Lafarge.

Would she send her husband a poison-

cake, knowing that in all probability

he would invite her cousin to partake of it?

But if Madame had not tampered

with the box, who had?

Someone else must have opened it and sub-

stituted the poisoned cake. Who

could it be?

Suspicion certainly

pointed strongly to one man, Denis

Barbier, a man of bad character,

who acted as Lafarge's clerk, and lived under his roof. He had con-

cerned, and often expressed, a strong

dislike to his master's wife; and it

was he who first directed the suspicion

of Lafarge's mother to her.

He had too, been in Paris with Lafarge during

the fatal visit, had been much in his

company, and had been in a position

to intercept the box and substitute

the poisoned cake.

During Monsieur's illness, after his

return from Paris, Barbier had con-

stant access to the sick room, and had

abundant opportunities of introduc-

ing poison into his food and medi-

cines; and when M. Lafarge had

drawn his last breath, he had said

jubilantly, "Now I shall be master

here!"

JURISTS' OPINION.

Certainly the evidence of Barbier's guilt was much stronger than that against Madame Lafarge—a conclusion which was confirmed by a number of the leading jurists of Europe, who later investigated the case, and who declared "We do not actually accuse Barbier; but, had we been the public prosecutors, we would rather have formulated charges against him than against Madame Lafarge."

But in spite of all the evidence which pointed to the strong proba-

bility of her innocence, Madame

Lafarge was found guilty and sen-

tenced to hard labour for life, with

exposure in the public pillory. And,

although the latter punishment was

commuted, she spent many years of

convict life in Montpelier Prison be-

fore, at last, in response to a wide

public appeal and in consideration of

her shattered health, she was paro-

ned, and left her cell a free but broken

woman.

SUICIDE.

Embankment suicides do not trouble

the River Police nearly so much

nowadays as they did years ago. A

curious reason given for this.

It has been noticed that ever since the

trams began running over the bridges

and along the Victoria Embankment

would-be suicides turned away.

It is almost a rare occurrence in these

days to read of a suicide from the

Embankment.

Waterloo Bridge also has under-

gone a change in these late years.

It was once the favourite jumping-off

place for the Thames suicides, but

now, so deserted is it by the men and

women who court death in the muddy

stream, that it almost bodies its claim

to the title of "The Bridge of Sighs,"

which Tom Hood gave it in his heart-

ending poem of one more unfortunate

than himself.

Death was instantaneous. Fortunately for

the police, he turned their attention to

their correspondent, when they

soon discovered that he was himself

the principal offender. He had en-

deavoured to mislead the police, but

his cunning had "o'erleapt itself"

and brought about his own downfall.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
PROFIT SHOWS 40 PER CENT DROP.

The net profit of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the last business term shows a decrease of about 41 per cent, compared with that for the previous term. The dividend declared is 25 per cent per annum, as against the previous rate of 30 per cent, and in addition to the reduction in the rate of dividend the amount to be carried forward shows a great decrease.

The gross income of the company for the last term amounted to \$49,488,703, as against \$71,385,422 for the previous term, a decrease of \$21,896,719. The gross expenditure being \$40,573,783, as against \$39,064,932, a decrease of \$1,849,139. The balance of the income is \$8,914,910, as against \$12,320,490. From this balance are deducted funds to meet depreciation of ships, insurance, repairs, and depreciation of buildings which total \$3,373,031, as against \$2,931,540. The net profit thus amounts to \$5,541,878, a decrease of \$3,847,000 compared with the net profit for the previous term.

IS 19 PER CENT OF CAPITAL.

The latest net profit is only about 19 per cent per annum of the present paid-up capital of the company which amounts to \$55,000,000, but the company has declared a dividend of 10 per cent ordinary and 15 per cent extra, a total of 25 per cent, by using no less than \$2,550,000 of the amount brought forward from the preceding term, which is \$2,820,000, to make up the deficit in income. The net profit is disposed of as follows, as compared with that for the previous term:

Net profit	\$3,847,000
Brought forward	\$2,820,000
Total	\$6,667,000
Disposal as follows:	
Reserve	\$2,000,000
Reinvested in directors and auditors	\$32,000
Dividend, 10 per cent	\$2,550,000
Extra dividend	\$2,820,000
Carried forward	\$2,820,000

A STARTLING DROP.

The last item calls for particular notice. In the past it has been usual for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha to maintain an amount to be carried forward at about \$2,000,000 or \$3,000,000, but this time it has been reduced to only \$478,158.

The above statement of accounts is to be submitted for formal approval to a general meeting of shareholders called for May 30. The meeting will also consider re-election of two directors and one auditor, and the presentation of a monetary gift to the family of the late Baron Kondo, last President of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, in recognition of the great services he rendered to the company during his lifetime.

25 PER CENT. DIVIDEND.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha in formally decided to pay a dividend of 20 per cent for the last business term but has now arranged to increase it to 25 per cent. The previous decision was reached on the ground that profits having decreased owing to the shipping depression, the dividend for the previous term, which was 30 per cent, should be reduced by 10 per cent, but some directors have taken the view that no such reduction should be made abruptly, while the shareholders have naturally wished to have the same rate of dividend as for the previous term.

On the other hand, business reports from London and other places in foreign countries which have only recently arrived show that the business results are better than were believed, making it possible to yield a net profit of some \$7,500,000. For that reason the management of the company has now decided to declare a dividend of 25 per cent—10 per cent ordinary and 15 per cent extra, a decrease of 5 per cent, instead of 10 per cent under the previous decision on the dividend for the previous term.

A general meeting of shareholders has been called for May 30. (Japan Advertiser.)

MESSAGERS EASTERN RUN.

In consequence of the fact that the Messagers Maritimes has demanded to be freed from the obligation of running the Oriental line, owing to its being impossible to pay expenses in spite of the Government subsidies, reports the *Jiji* the French Government has set up a plan to establish a large steamship company with a capital of \$60,000,000 on its own account. This proposal is now under discussion in the Chamber of Deputies. The Osaka paper also learns that the Government has changed its policy and plans to shorten the Marseilles-Yokohama line to Saigon or Shanghai, placing the Amazon, Chile, and other middle-sized ships on the line between the proposed new destination and Yokohama. If this project is put in force, shipments between Japan and France have to be transhipped at Shanghai or Saigon, and this will be double.

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AMERICAN SHIPPING.

PROHIBITION ACT.

GRANDMOTHERLY OFFICIOUSNESS.

Passenger ships under the American flag are "wet" in spite of the ruling of the Attorney General's Department during the Wilson Administration that the national "dry" laws are applicable to ships upon the high seas.

Liquors (says the *New York Maritime Register*) are being sold by the managing agents of the Shipping Board's passenger carriers on the Atlantic and Pacific. Cable advices were received from Montevideo that the Manson Steamship Line, operators of the "Huron," "Aeolus" and "Martha Washington" on the South American service, had advertised that the American steamers would offer wines and liquor for sale to their passengers.

On the new 535 foot passenger liners operating from Seattle to China, Japan and the Philippines under the flags of the Pacific Mail SS Co., and the Admiral Line, the bars are being run. The United States Mail Steamship Company, which has five chartered Shipping Board liners in operation now as well as two of the 592 foot passenger steamers "Old North State" and "Panhandle State," is offering to its passengers the same inducements as the steamers under foreign flags. On the American ships of the Red Star Line, the International Mercantile Marine Company is making no distinction with regard to the serving of wines and liquors.

The American Steamship Companies have followed the policy of giving as little publicity to the matter as possible, because they do not wish to arouse the ire of the reformers and agitators. They declare that the enforcement of the prohibition laws at sea would cause the withdrawal of American passenger carriers, because they would not be able to compete successfully with the foreign ships on which there would be no such restrictions.

Admiral Benson, Chairman of the Shipping Board, is known to be a liberal in regard to this matter, and it has been reported that the position of the Harding Administration would be for enforcement of the "dry" act within the three-mile limit, with the understanding that the operators might do as they please after the territorial limit had been passed.

GENERAL NOTES.

The N.Y.K. freighter "Aomori Maru," on the American service, was saved from the danger of drifting and going aground by the cruiser "Tone" off Kora on the eastern coast of Formosa. When the "Tone" first arrived on the scene she could not approach the freighter because of a high sea. The damage to the engine room, which incapacitated the "Aomori Maru," will be repaired at Kitung, where she was towed by the cruiser. The freighter has a crew of 50 officers and men.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, and the Toyosho Kaisha have applied to the Department of Communications for another reduction of their conventional freight rates for South America and South Africa. In October last year the three companies reduced their rates by 10 per cent, by agreement, and no further change has since been made. The companies now find it necessary to make a further cut of about 20 per cent. Both the South American and South African lines are now depressed, though great activity was shown during the war, and it is not expected that even when another reduction of 20 per cent is made, it will have effect in stimulating shipments. In fact, the proposal of the shipping companies is due more to the necessity of meeting foreign competition than to anything else.

A correspondent at Tsingtao writes that business seems to be recovering there from the depression, and several business delegations from Japan have visited the port. The Naval Depot at Tsingtao has been closed, and the Navy Department is dismantling the German wireless and taking it to Japan. This might imply evacuation, but at the same time the Government is building powerful new wireless station, which implies that the Japanese intend to stay. It is like the conversion of the military administration in the mandated islands into a civil administration, and then placing it under the control of the Navy Department. Yet the Japanese are surprised in the one case at the continued hostility of the Chinese, and in the other at the suspicion and distrust of the Japanese.

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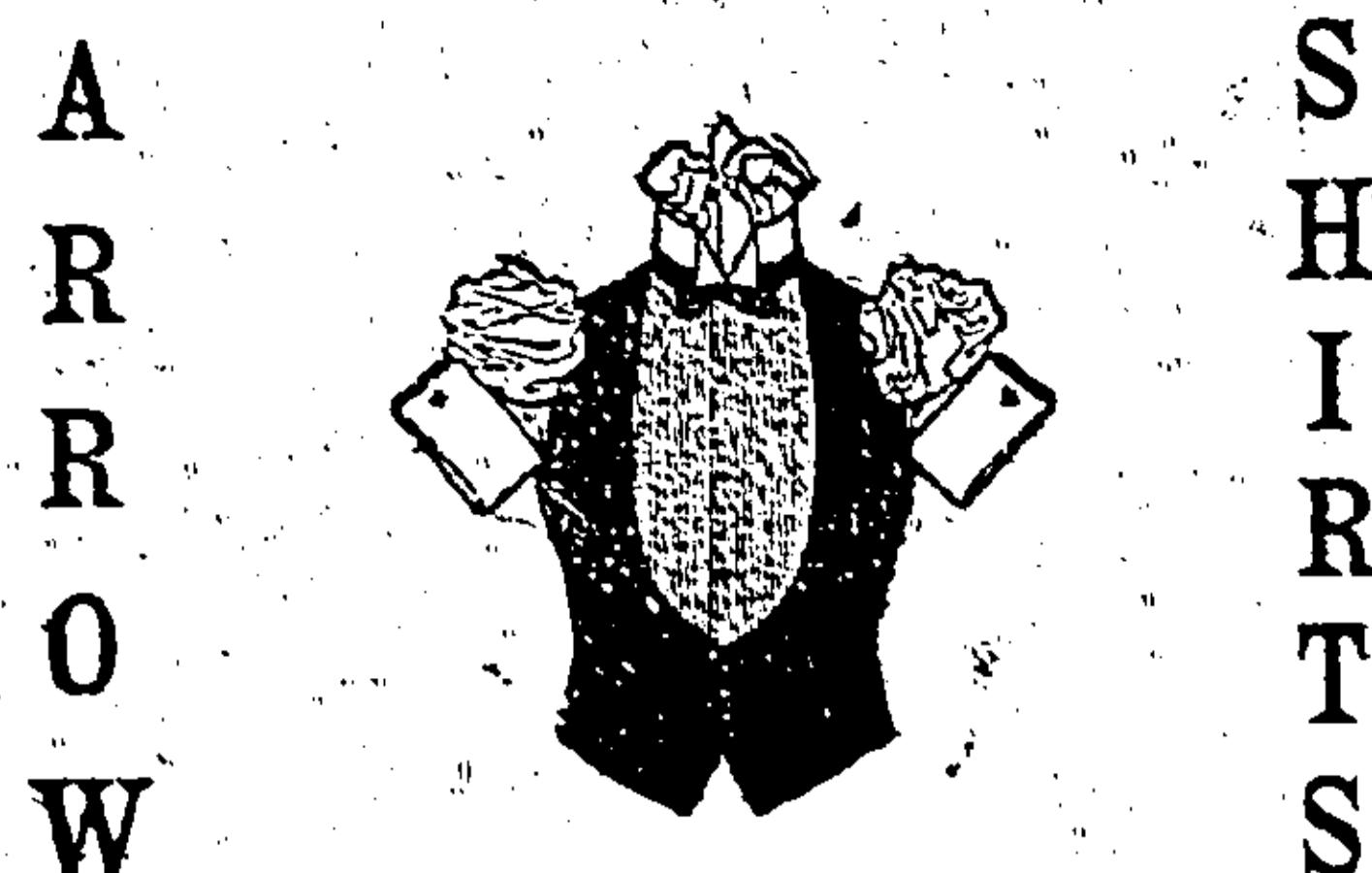
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PULPIT REBUKE FOR "ADVERSARIUS."**DENOUNCED BY CLERGYMAN AS A SCURVILOUS WRITER.**

Preaching at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday, the Rev. Gordon Statt, naval chaplain, referred to "the scurrilous article by Adversarius" in the previous evening's *China Mail*. He did not think the article referred to could represent the true thoughts of a Britisher.

As to that, our contributor must answer for himself—on Saturday.

FIGHT WITH ROBBERS.**HAWKER'S SON STABBED.**

A hawker and his son were busy in the kitchen of their house in Main Street, Aberdeen, yesterday, baking cakes, when two men entered. One man seized the hawker from behind as he was bending over the stove and the other tackled the son. A third man kept watch outside the house. The son, a robust youth, struggled with the robber and was having the better of the fight when the robber whipped out a dagger and stabbed him over the left eye. The hawker called out "Save life," and the robbers decamped without taking anything. The lad is now in hospital. It is feared that he will lose the sight of his eye.

ARMED ROBBERY.**FARM-HOUSE ENTERED.**

The inmates of a farmhouse in Hokvun village, Kowloon City, were asleep last night, when four robbers entered the premises by removing some bricks from the back wall of the kitchen. The inmates who were taken by surprise, were unable to offer any resistance. Two of the robbers produced revolvers, and tied the farmer's hands behind his back. After threatening to shoot anyone who attempted to raise an alarm, they broke open four boxes, stealing clothing, jewellery and money to the total value of \$1,120.

ORGAN RECITAL.**TO-NIGHT'S PROGRAMME.**

The following is the programme of the Organ Recital to be given in St. John's Cathedral this (Monday) evening at 9.15 p.m.

1.—Introduction and Allegro Guilmant.

2.—Vision Rheinberger.

3.—Jerusalem, thou that killst Mendelssohn.

Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

4.—The Garden of Iram R. S. Stoughton.

5.—Isla of the Waters Eric Coates.

6.—Ye who now sorrow Brahms.

Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

7.—An Irish Phantasy W. Wolstenholme.

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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PAR
MONDAY, MAY 30.	
Singapore	Plassy
TUESDAY, MAY 31.	
Shanghai	Andre Lebon
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1.	
Shanghai	Suiyang
THURSDAY, JUNE 2.	
Japan	Aratomo Apar
SUNDAY, JUNE 5.	
Calcutta and Straits	Totomi Maru

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PAR	TIME
MONDAY, MAY 30.		
Kwangtung and Wocho	Kwongting	4 p.m.
Shanghai, North China and Japan	Glenagle	4 p.m.
Straits and Bangkok	Van Cloon	4 p.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Chengchung	5 p.m.
Shanghai and North China	Aquileia	5 p.m.
TUESDAY, MAY 31.		
Swatow, Shanghai and North China	Waishing	9 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Kooblog	9 a.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China	Hanyao	10 a.m.
Saandakin, AUSTRALIA, and New Zealand via Thursday Island. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Shantung	10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	St. Albans	11 a.m.
Java via Samarang	Taikoowani	1 p.m.
Macao	Chuenchow	4.15 p.m.
Samshui and Wocho	Taiming	4.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1.		
Hoibow and Haiphong	Lokang	9 a.m.
Shanghai and North China	Plassy	8.30 a.m.
Saigon	Plasticus	9 a.m.
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Fushimi Maru	
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Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta and ADEN	Andrei Lebon	2 p.m.
Saigon, Straits, and Bangkok	Kishu Maru	2 p.m.
THURSDAY, JUNE 2.		
Swatow, Shanghai and North China	Hector	
Swatow, Amoy and Takao	Linan	1 p.m.
Swatow, Straits and Bangkok	Wingsing	3 p.m.
Japan	Fookang	5 p.m.
FRIDAY, JUNE 3.		
Philippines Islands	Yuenlong	9 a.m.
Swatow, Straits and Bangkok	Changchow	9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Halidong	11 a.m.
Saturday, JUNE 4.		
Shanghai and North China	Suiyang	3 p.m.
Hoibow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kafong	5 p.m.
Sunday, JUNE 5.		
Amakusa, Marc	Amakusa, Marc	9 a.m.
MONDAY, JUNE 6.		
Sandakan	Hinsing	11 a.m.
TUESDAY, JUNE 7.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haibong	11 a.m.
Shanghai and North China	Ezechuen	11 a.m.
MONDAY, JUNE 13.		
Amoy and Philippine Islands	Taming	3 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing receiver's name only.

THEATRE ROYAL.**MISCHA ELMAN.****BRILLIANT FAREWELL CONCERT.**

Mischa Elman, the world famous violinist, gave his farewell concert at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night, before a good house. The programme was a varied one, but in every item the greatest delicacy of tone and masterly technique was revealed. Two numbers which were greatly enjoyed were variations on a theme by Tartini (Corelli-Kreisler), and Serenade (Schubert). The former consists of a simple tuneful main theme which the artist brought out strongly. The variations demanded a great deal of work and the way the artist rendered them was nothing short of marvellous. The composition by Schubert is very well known but it is safe to say that at the hands of Elman, new beauties were discovered. A minute by Haydn was also generally commented upon. The programme is given below.

Part I.

- 1.—Concerto Wieniawski Allegro, Romance, alla Zingara.
- 2.—Variations on a theme by Tartini Corelli-Kreisler. Canzone Amorosa Sammaritani-Elmam.
- Minuet Haydn. Turkish March, Beethoven-Auer.
- Part II.
- 3.—Roi Nidre Brach-Vogel als Prophet. Schumann. Serenade Schubert. Zephyr Hubay.
- 4.—Melodie Tchaikowsky. Fota-Sarasate.

LOCAL CHINESE STEAMER COMMANDERED.

According to a report made by her master the s.s. "Sui Yik," a Chinese owned river boat which left Hongkong on May 18 was commandeered at Sham Mi for the transport of Chinese soldiers to Canton. When Canton was reached the soldiers were taken off in four junks and the master, it is understood, was warned to hold himself in readiness for further transport work. He decided, however, that he had other fish to fry and accordingly "beat it" back to Hongkong arriving here on Saturday.

PASSENGERS.**DEPARTURES.**

Per s.s. "Taio Maru" sailed May 27th: Miss B. Buttrick, Mr. Max Basker, Mr. R. C. Burdin, Mr. S. A. Carvalho, Mr. R. S. Cauvin, Mr. L. J. Calender, Mr. C. Douenais, Mr. R. A. Fouka, Mrs. W. G. Filson, Mr. A. A. Freed, Mr. F. J. Gellion, Mr. T. A. Glover, Mr. and Mrs. Loon Hongswood, Mr. C. H. Hughes, Mrs. Harwood, Miss Harwood Mrs. G. C. Hughes, Mr. R. J. Harrison, Mr. T. Ishibashi, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jefferson, Miss Jefferson, Dr. and Mrs. E. Mason and 2 children, Mrs. G. Mackay, Mr. H. Moolchand, Mrs. B. Marker and son, Mr. J. P. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Matlock, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. McConaha, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. S. Murill, Mr. Nihalchand, Mrs. M. Olivetrona, Mr. H. Potemantz, Mrs. C. M. Quinn, Mr. F. J. Ribeiro, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Rodrigues, Mr. J. J. Ryan, Mr. B. Rubio, Mr. and Mrs. S. Asano, Miss K. Asano, Mr. T. Daigo, Mr. G. Inoue, Mr. T. Komatsu, Mr. Y. Yasuda, Mr. Y. Yasuda, Mr. Y. Furue, Mrs. Daisy Fast, Mr. G. M. B. Jefferson, Mr. W. H. Anderson, Mr. Delmar Clinton, Mr. A. M. L. Soares, Mr. A. M. Soares, Mr. J. F. Silva, Mrs. R. B. Saner, Mr. J. M. Soares, Miss V. C. Shaw, Mr. F. P. Small, Mr. George Stroble, Lieut. T. Sakata, Miss N. Taylor, Mr. H. C. van der Tillaard, Mr. R. E. Towle, Mr. M. A. Traopui, Mr. S. Tsurutani, Mr. G. Takahashi, Mr. G. W. Woudenberg, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Watanabe, Mr. T. Wada, Miss E. M. Xavier, Mr. P. M. Xavier, Miss R. Xavier, Mr. Vassanall Asanami, Mr. L. O. Aquino, Mr. J. Chiba, Mr. P. L. Davison, Miss Rosa Espejo, Mr. George A. Pahl, Princess Fatima Sultan, Mr. S. H. Shastri, Mr. A. H. Shastri, Master Sirdar Mohammed Akbar, Mr. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Watanabe, Mr. T. Wada, Miss E. M. Xavier, Mr. P. M. Xavier, Miss R. Xavier, Mr. Vassanall Asanami, Mr. L. O. Aquino, Mr. J. Chiba, Mr. P. L. Davison, Miss Rosa Espejo, Mr. George A. Pahl, Princess Fatima Sultan, Mr. S. H. Shastri, Mr. A. H. Shastri, Master Sirdar Mohammed Akbar, Mr. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Watanabe, Mr. T. Wada, Miss E. M. Xavier, Mr. P. M. Xavier, Miss R. Xavier, Mr. Vassanall Asanami, Mr. L. O. Aquino, Mr. J. Chiba, Mr. P. L. Davison, Miss Rosa Espejo, Mr. George A. Pahl, Princess Fatima Sultan, Mr. S. H. Shastri, Mr. A. H. Shastri, Master Sirdar Mohammed Akbar, Mr. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Watanabe, Mr. T. Wada, Miss E. M. Xavier, Mr. P. M. Xavier, Miss R. Xavier, Mr. Vassanall Asanami, Mr. L. O. Aquino, Mr. J. Chiba, Mr. P. L. Davison, Miss Rosa Espejo, Mr. George A. Pahl, Princess Fatima Sultan, Mr. S. H. Shastri, Mr. A. H. Shastri, Master Sirdar Mohammed Akbar, Mr. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Watanabe, Mr. T. Wada, Miss E. M. Xavier, Mr. P. M. Xavier, Miss R. Xavier, Mr. Vassanall Asanami, Mr. L. O. Aquino, Mr. J. Chiba, Mr. P. L. Davison, Miss Rosa Espejo, Mr. George A. Pahl, Princess Fatima Sultan, Mr. S. H. Shastri, Mr. A. H. Shastri, Master Sirdar Mohammed Akbar, Mr. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Watanabe, Mr. T. Wada, Miss E. M. Xavier, Mr. P. M. Xavier, Miss R. Xavier, Mr. Vassanall Asanami, Mr. L. O. Aquino, Mr. J. Chiba